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June 1954

1-3-78 auth. gr. dual city I. D. as: HAGERSTOWN-FREDERICK, MARYLAND  
**BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD**

U W C S (EFF: 8-2-76)

Date first licensed **October 21, 1957**

Call letters **W A R K - FM**  
LOCATION: **HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND**

**RAU RADIO STATIONS, INC. (ML 1-21-71)**  
**X WARK, INC., (ALH 11-2-60; EFF: 12-5-60)**  
**X UNITED BROADCASTING CO. OF WESTERN MARYLAND, INC.**

Name of licensee

Near Washington Monument State Park, 0.85 mi. N. of Alt. U.S. 40, Hagerstown, MD (MPH 10-24-75)  
**X 2.2 mi. NE of Boonsboro, Old Wolfsville Rd., 0.7 mi. W of I-70, Hagerstown, Md. (PH-1-23-76)**

**X near Frederick St.**  
**X Commonwealth Avenue, Hagerstown, Maryland.**

Transmitter location

21740  
Main studio location **880 Commonwealth Avenue, Hagerstown, Maryland (Ltr. 6-5-62)**  
**X Commonwealth Ave. near Frederick St. (BPH 2-15-62)**  
**X 128 S. Prospect Street, Hagerstown, Maryland.**



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	(Ch. 395) Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BPH-2162 HAAT: 225'; TPO: 1kw	2-27-57	106.9mc 2.2kw ERP	Unl.	4-27-57 to 10-27-57
Transmitter may be operated by remote control from 128 S. Prospect St., Hagerstown, Md.				
BLH-1172	10-21-57	106.9 2.2 HAAT 225' Ch 295	U	10-21 10-1-60
License to cover BPH-2162 for new FM b/c station				
BRH-846	11-2-60	Renewal of License		11-2 10-1-63
BALH-413 EFF:	11-2-60 12-5-60	Voluntary assignment of license to MARK, Inc.		
	9-23-60	Correspondence deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.		
BPH-3631 HAAT: 225'	2-13-62	106.9mcs ERP: 2.3kw Ch. 295 TPO: 1kw	Unl.	4-13 10-13-62
CP to incr. ERP; move trans. approx. 200'; chg. studio loc.; & delete remote control operation.				
BPH-3631 (1)	6-14-62	Mod. of CP (BP-3631) to change studio location.		
BTC-4162 EFF	12-19-62	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by Henry Rau and Helen L. Rau (As A Family Group) thru purchase of stock by Helen L. Rau From Robert Rau		
BLH-2155 HAAT 230ft.	10-23-62	106.9mcs 2.3kw TPO: 1kw	Unl	10-23 10-1-63
Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3631) which auth. incr ERP; chgs in trans & studio loc., trans. line and delete RC operation of trans.				
BRH-846	9-24-63	Renewal of license		10-1 10-1-66
BRH-846	9-1-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		10-1 10-1-69
BRH-846(S)	9-25-69	Renewal & NDEA		10-1-72
BMLH-370 (1)	1-21-71	ML chg. name		
Comtel	4-26-72	Trans: Composite trans. consisting of an RCA-BTE-10B Exciter with Driver and final amplifier portions of a Westinghouse FM-1		



Form BC 126 CARD #2  
June 1954

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Date first licensed \_\_\_\_\_

Call letters WARK-FM

Station location \_\_\_\_\_

Name of licensee RAU RADIO STATIONS, INC.

Transmitter location \_\_\_\_\_

Main studio location \_\_\_\_\_



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
EBSA	5-25-72				
BRH-846(L)	10-27-72	RENEWAL			10-1-75
BPH-8604	1-23-74	106.9mhz. ERP: 19.5kw(max)(h)12.5kw(v) #295 TPO: 7.1kw (RC) CP chg. TL; operate by RC from SL site; install new trans, new Ant, chg. TPO, ERP: & HAAT.			
HAAT: 730' (h&v)					
BMPH-14,355 (1)	1-10-75	MP(BPH-8604)	ext time to		7-23-75
BMPH-14,536(2)	7-21-75	MP(BPH-8604, as mod)	ext to,		11-23-75
BMPH-14,601 (L)	10-24-75	106.9mhz. ERP: 13.5(Max, H) 11.5kw(Max V) MP(BPH-8604, as mod) chg TL, trans, ant TPO, ERP, HAAT (RC)			4-22-76
HAAT: 840ft(H&V)					
BMPH-1477(1)	5-12-76	MP(BPH-8604, as mod)	ext time to		10-22-76
EBSA	8-2-76	issued in new call sign			
BRH-846	4-29-77	Renewal of License			10-1-78
BLH-7295(L)	7-11-77	Lic(BPH-8604, as mod) Chgs			
HAAT: 840' H&V		ERP: 13.5kw(Max H); 11.7kw(Max V)			
BRH-846	9-14-78	(S) REN. OF LIC.			10-1-81
BPH800807A	3-2-81	106.9mhz ERP: 15.5kwH 13.5kw(V)			
HAAT: 840' (H&V) (L)		CP to incre. ERP and change TPO.			3-2-82



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Aug. 1955

Name **UNITED BROADCASTING COY OF WESTERN MARYLAND, INC.** Call Letters **WARK-FM**  
**2900 Tilden Street, N.W. WASHINGTON, D. C.** - STATION LOCATION **HAGERSTOWN, MD.**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-2162 Rec'd & filed	12-14-56 12-17-56	C.P. for a new FM B/c Station: Frequency: 106.9 mcs. Ch. 295 ERP: 2.19 kw. Unlimited opr. HAAT: 227.1 ft. T-L: Commonwealth Ave., Hagerstown, Md. S-L: 128 S. Prospect St. Hagerstown, Md. Remote Control Point of Opr: Same as Studio (W. FM-1 1 Kw) Filed by Marcus Cohn, atty	GRANTED  ERP: 2.2 kw HAAT: 225'	2-27-57
BLH-1172 Rec'd & filed	4-5-57 4-5-57	License to cover the above. Marcus Cohn, atty  Add info. recd. 6-3-57 re frequency response	GRANTED data.	10-21-57
BAIH-413 Rec'd Filed	3-23-60 3-28-60 3-28-60	Voluntary assignment of license to WARK, Inc.  Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	11-2-60 12-5-60



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Call  
Letters

W A R K - P M

WARK, INC.

Name ~~X~~ UNITED BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.  
HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-846 Rec'd Filed	7-13-60 7-14-60 7-14-60	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	11-2-60
BPH-3631 R & F	1-6-62 1-10-62	Construction permit to increase ERP from 2.2kw to 2.28kw; move transmitter to new building approx. 200 ft from present loc. (no change in description); make changes in transmission line; change studio location from 128 S. Prospect St. Hagerstown, Md. to "Commonwealth Avenue near Frederick St., Hagerstown, Md" (same as trans); delete remote control operation of transmitter	GRANTED	2-13-62
		Atty. - Cohn & Marks		
BLH-2155 R & F	6-26-62 6-27-62	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3631) which auth an incr ERP; move trans; chgs in transmission line; chg in studio loc & delete of RC operation of trans. Atty: Cohn & Marks	GRANTED	10-23-62



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AUG. 1955

Call  
Letters **W A R K-FM**Name **MARK, INC.**  
**Hagerstown, Maryland**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-4162 Rec'd Filed	11-15-62 11-16-62 11-16-62	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by Henry Rau and Helen L. Rau (As A Family Group) thru purchase of stock by Helen L. Rau from Robert Rau.  Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED:	12-19-62
BRH-846 R & F	6-27-63 6-28-63	Renewal of License  Stanley B. Cohen, Atty.	GRANTED	9-24-63
BRH-846 R & F	6-22-66 6-23-66	Renewal of license Atty. Cohn and Marks	GRANTED	9-1-66
BRH-846 R & F #527041 \$75 PN PRESS	6-30-69 7-3-69 7-3-69 AUG 6 1959	Renewal of license Atty- Stanley S. Neustadt AMENDED 9-10-69 re: commercial policy	GRANTED	9-25-69



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September 1969

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters **W A R K-FM**

**RAU RADIO STATIONS, INC.**  
Name **MARK, INC.**  
**Hagerstown, Maryland**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMLH-370 R & F #652836 \$50 CODE: 068 PRESS: 13 JAN 1971	12-24-70 12-24-70 12-24-70	Mod. of license to change name of licensee to RAU RADIO STATIONS, INC.  Atty - Cohn & Marks	GRANTED	1-21-71
BRH-846 R & F PN PRESS JUL 17 1972	6-26-72 7-3-72 7-3-72	Renewal of License  Atty: Cohn & Marks AMENDED 9-12-72 re: programming	GRANTED	10-27-72
BPH-8604 R & F #233582 \$200 Code 013 Press P. N. Rec'd	9-6-73 9-17-73 9-19-73  OCT 11 1973 10-10-73	CP to chg. TL to: 2.2 mi. N.W. of Boonsboro, Old Wolfsville Rd., 0.7 mi. W. of I-70, Hagers- town, Maryland; operate by RC from studio site: 880 Commonwealth Ave., Hagerstown, Maryland; install new trans. (Gates FM-7.5H3); install new ant. (Gates FMC-3DA, 3 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (decrease height); chg. TPO; ERP: 19.5KW (Max.) (H) and 12.9KW (Max.) (V) and HAAT: 729' (H&V). (39° 31' 24" - 77° 36' 58")  Atty: Ian D. Volner (Cohn and Marks) (OVER)	GRANTED gr. fee \$1800 req. Pd 014 Cond'ls. 2-28-74 W284531	1-23-74







# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

106.9mhz.

Call  
Letters **W A R K-FM**

Name **Rau Radio Stations, Inc.**  
**Hagerstown, Maryland**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-14,355 R & F #374263 \$50 Code 057 PRESS	12-12-74 12-16-74 12-16-74 DEC 31 1974	MP(BPH-8604) to ext. time to 7-23-75. (Changes)  Atty: Lawrence N. Cohn	GRANTED TO	1-10-75 7-23-75
BRH-846 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	5-27-75 6-2-75 " JUL 3 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Cohn & Marks, Atty. (A.J. Arlow,)	GRANTED issued with	4-29-77 BLH-7295
BMPH-14,536 R & F #444626 \$100 Code 001 PRESS	6-30-75 7-1-75 7-2-75 JUL 16 1975	MP(BPH-8604) to ext. time to 11-23-75. (Changes)  Atty: Allan J. Arlow (Cohn & Marks)	GRANTED TO	7-21-75 11-23-75



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106.9mhz

Call **WUCS**  
Letters **WARK-FM**

Name **Rau Radio Stations, Inc.**  
**Hagerstown, Maryland**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH- 14,601 Rec'd Filed #468518 \$200 Code 001 Press	8-20-75 8-22-75 8-22-75 8-27-75 SEP 15 1975	MP (BPH-8604, as mod.) chg. TL to: Near Washington Monument State Park, 0.85 mi. N. of Alt. U. S. 40, Hagerstown, Maryland; chg. trans. (Gates FM-10H3); chg. ant. (Harris FMD-2, 2 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (increv) hght.); chg. TPO; ERP: 13.5KW(Max.) 11.7KW(Max.); and HAAT: 841' (H&V).  39° 29' 43" - 77° 36' 42"  Atty: Stanley S. Neustadt	GRANTED COND'L	10-24-75
BMPH-14797 R & F 558511#100 CODE 001 PRESS	4-10-76 4-19-76 4-21-76 MAY 3 1976	MP (BPH-8604, as mod) ext time to 6-22-76 {For Changes}  Atty. Lawrence N. Cohn	GRANTED TO	5-12-76 10-22-76



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Call  
Letters **W H G S**

Name **RAU RADIO STATIONS, INC.**  
**Hagerstown, Maryland**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-7295	7-19-76.	Lic. (BPH-8604, as mod.) for chgs.	GRANTED issued with BRH-846	7-11-77
Reb'd	7-20-76	ERP: 13.5kw(H) 11.7kw(V)		
Filed	8-11-76			
#595297\$100	7-26-76			
Code 001				
PTA	8-16-76		GRANTED	1-13-78
PRESS	MAR 14 1977			
AMENDED	8-6-76	Engr. Data		
AMENDED	8-11-76	Proof of Performance		
LTR. DATED	8-26-77	Filed by Rau Radio Stations, Inc., Request		
R & F	8-26-77	for Dual City Identification as: HAGERSTOWN-		
PRESS:	DEC 14 1977	FREDERICK, MARYLAND.		
		Atty---		



Form HC-121  
May 1978

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W.H.C.S.Name RAU RADIO STATIONS, INC.  
HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-346 R & F PRESS	5-31-78 6-1-78 JUN 28 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Atty. Stanley S. Neustadt (Cohn & Marks)	GRANTED	9-14-78
BPH800807AJ PRESS (O)	SEP 2 1980	CP to incre. ERP: 15.6kw (H) & 13.5kw (V) & chg. TPO.  Atty. Alfred C. Cordon (Cordon & Jacob)	GRANTED Cond' 1 CANCELLED	3-2-81 12-10-82
BRH-810529UV PRESS:	JUL 28 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Alfred C. Cordon AMENDED 8-26-81 re: EEO	GRANTED	10-22-81



## About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

